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SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES OF ELIAS DEMETRACOPOULOS IN GENEVA

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1. WHEN I SAW AVEROFF THIS AFTERNOON FOREIGN MINISTRY SEC GEN VLACHOS APOLOGIZED TO ME FOR LEAK APPEARING IN GREEK PRESS THIS MORNING ABOUT MY RECALL AND NOMINATION OF JACK KUBISCH TO REPLACE ME IN ATHENS. ACCORDING TO VLACHOS, SOURCE OF LEAK WAS MAVROS WHO HAD BEEN INFORMED OF KUBISCH'S NOMINATION BY ELIAS DEMETRACOPOULOS. TIMING OF LEAK IS OF COURSE UNFORTUNATE SINCE IT COMES AT HEIGHT OF CYPRUS CRISIS AND AT A TIME WHEN U.S. POLICY TOWARD GREECE IS SUBJECT TO INTENSE AND FARFETCHED SPECULATION IN ATHENS.

2. INFORMATION THAT DEMETRACOPOULOS WAS INVOLVED IN LEAK COMES AS NO SURPRISE AND REINFORCES MY CONVICTION THAT HE HAS BEEN ORCHESTRATING HOSTILE PRESS CAMPAIGN FROM WASHINGTON AND IS NOW DOING SO FROM GENEVA.

3. WITH ANDREAS PAPANDREOU DUE TO ARRIVE IN ATHENS NEXT MONDAY, AUGUST 19, AND IN LIGHT OF CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WHICH

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EARLIER EXISTED BETWEEN PAPANDREOU AND DEMETRACOPOULOS, I

FORESEE INTENSIFICATION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE CAMPAIGN
IN COMING WEEKS.

4. WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED IN LAST FEW DAYS BY CENTER UNION
POLITICIANS THAT PAPANDREOU HAS BEEN CABLING AND TELEPHONING
THEM TO SAY THAT HE REGRETS HIS PAST MISTAKES, STILL CONSIDERS
HIMSELF LEADING MEMBER OF CENTER UNION AND IS PREPARED TO
DISBAND PAK AS EVIDENCE OF HIS GOOD FAITH. THIS SUGGESTS
TO ME THAT PAPANDREOU HAS DECIDED TO WORK FOR CONTROL OF
CENTER UNION FROM WITHIN RATHER THAN FROM OUTSIDE. I DO NOT
BELIEVE THIS TACTIC WILL BE SUCCESSFUL, BUT IT HAS OMINOUS
POSSIBILITIES, PARTICULARLY IF ABETTED BY THE ACTIVITIES
OF DEMETRACOPOULOS.

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